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Date: November 10, 2003

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Notice of Appeal
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: DONALD R. RICCI, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/744,916

For: SMALL VESSEL EXPANDABLE STENT AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCTION OF SAME

Filed: June 27, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3738

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
from the decision dated May 8, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims
32-59.

The below-listed items are appropriate:

1. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the final
rejection, together with the \$950.00 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, was filed on
November 10, 2003.

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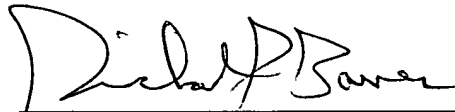
2. Charge \$330.00 for the Notice of Appeal Fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 .

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3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1710. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

4. Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3507. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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